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PLA Annual Conference, Bedford Springs, October 10-12, 1957.
Middle Atlantic Regional Conference, Atlantic City, N. J., October 2-4, 1958.

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Ralph Blasingame Appointed to Position of State Librarian in Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania had a State Librarian on April 1, 1957, for the first time since 1951. On March 21 of this year Governor Leader appointed Ralph Blasingame, Jr., to the position of State Librarian, following the recommendations of the Pennsylvania Library Association and the Department of Public Instruction. The Association's Committee on the State Librarian thus had its two years of effort crowned with success.

Mr. Blasingame is a native of Pennsylvania, born in State College, where his father was for many years an agricultural engineer attached to the State College before his retirement in 1951. Graduating from Pennsylvania State University in 1942, Mr. Blasingame entered the United States Army Air Force, where he served as an officer in various administrative positions both in the United States and in the Pacific war theatre. Upon his release from the Air Force in 1946, he attended Columbia University School of Library Service, where he received his Bachelor's in Library Service in 1947. Going first to City College of New York as a cataloger, he returned to Columbia as a research assistant, gaining his Master's degree in 1950. In the same year he was appointed assistant to the Dean of the School of Library Service and placed in charged of placement activities. In this position he coordinated the placement of both recent graduates and experienced librarians until September, 1952, when he was appointed Assistant State Librarian at the California State Library in Sacramento. Here he gained much experience which will be important in his new capacity in Pennsylvania.

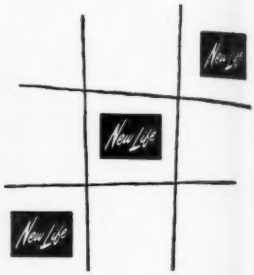
As State Librarian, Mr. Blasingame will face a challenge equalled in few state libraries across the country. In his efforts to bring library service in Pennsylvania to higher levels, he will receive the full suport and encouragement of the Pennsylvania Library Association.

Association Has New Treasurer

The Executive Board has appointed Mr. Kenneth Fagerhaugh, librarian, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to replace Mrs. Ella Daub as treasurer of the Association.

Mrs. Daub found it necessary to resign because of an increased work load in her own library. She has served the Association in this capacity with devotion and skill for two years and a half and we wish to express our thanks to her at this time.

We are grateful also to Mr. Fagerhaugh for his willingness to assume these duties for the rest of the year. His term will run until January 1, 1958.



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Executive Board Actions

The 1957 PLA Conference will be held at Bedford Springs, October 10-12. The cost of rooms at the Bedford Springs hotel are: double $12-$13; single $15-$16; and double with single occupancy $17-$18. These rates include meals; blanket tips will be added. Because of the difficulty of arranging separate meal functions under the hotel setup, all section chairmen agreed to dispense with luncheon and breakfast meetings. Plans have been made, however, for the annual banquet. All section chairmen present at the meeting agreed to plan their business meetings for the same hour—Friday at 2:00 p.m. The meeting of the new Executive Board will be held on Friday following these sectional meetings, rather than on Saturday as has been the custom. The treasurer reported total receipts of $2,268.69 from the 1956 annual conference.

The president pointed out that each section chairman of PLA is allowed up to $50.00 per meeting for speakers; or upon approval of The Board, up to a total of $75.00. This is not cumulative from year to year even if total amounts are not spent. For the Bedford Springs meeting all requests are to be submitted to the treasurer before October 27. The policy is not to pay PLA members, if they are speakers at the conference.

The Middle-Atlantic States Regional Conference will be held at the Ambassador Hotel, Atlantic City, New Jersey, on October 2-4, 1958. The PLA will participate and as a result there will be no separate state meeting that year.

The Conference Site Committee had received invitations from Erie, York, and Philadelphia for the 1959 conference. Also an invitation had been submitted by Ohio for a Tri-State Conference with West Virginia. Discussion followed and it was thought that since the Middle-Atlantic Regional Conference is scheduled in Atlantic City in 1958, and ALA in Washington, D. C. in 1959, PLA should accept the invitation from York for 1959 and a Tri-State Conference with Ohio and West Virginia be contemplated for 1960.

The president read a letter from the librarian of St. Francis College at Loretto requesting that a PLA exhibit be arranged there and at other colleges for the purpose of acquainting students and prospective librarians with the PLA. This was referred to the incoming president for consideration.

It is very important that section chairmen make certain copies of minutes of meetings, and other section records, be sent to the PLA secretary.

A letter from the Pennsylvania Federation of Women's Clubs was referred to the Library Development Committee for action. The Federation promised to assist the PLA in seeking favorable library legislation.

Five copies of the procedure book were prepared by the committee and distributed to the present officers, who in turn were instructed to pass them on to the new officers as elected.

A report was made on the need for a Friends of the Library publication. Mrs. Charles M. Steele was asked to make a further study as to possible needs, size, content, cost and so forth.

A large number of trustees are members of PLA but not of the Trustees Section. It was suggested that automatic membership in the section should apply to all trustees who have paid PLA dues. As this involves elimination of the dues for

the Trustees' section a constitutional change is in order. Mrs. Harvey G. Woeckner, chairman of the section, agreed to write to the paid-up members and consult with them concerning proper action. This was done and all members agreed to the change. Appropriate action will be taken.

The budget for the year 1957 was presented and following discussion and amendment it was adopted. It appears elsewhere in this issue.

After considerable discussion of the certification program of PLA it was voted that the Certification Committee suspend the regular program during this conference year, and make a study of programs in other states and submit a report to the Executive Board at their Spring Meeting.

The Constitution and Procedure Book Committee will be instructed to change Article 9, Section 2, regarding payment of dues. March 31 will be listed as the delinquency date. Also the Article concerning the ALA Councilor should be changed to conform with ALA rules.

Regarding the appointment of a State Librarian, it was reveraled by Dr. Grose, chairman of the personnel committee, Department of Public Instruction, that they had been recruiting at an unauthorized salary level; and that $7,400—$9,400 is the only amount authorized for State Librarian. At the $10,500 level the personnel committee had looked for a Ph.D. or at least a librarian holding a Master's degree. The Library Development Committee felt they could not relegate the position of State Librarian to a level below other states of similar size and income, particularly recognizing the desperate need in Pennsylvania for an appointee of outstanding background and experience. Mr. Greenaway and Mr. Doerchuk had been asked to act as consultants in setting up the State Library budget and Mr. Doerschuk defended the budget at hearings of the Budget Commission where it was approved.

It was suggested that a sub-committee on legislation be established within the Library Development Committee to review the statement of objectives on library service in Pennsylvania, and determine any necessary legislation.

Any Federal aid available to Pennsylvania as a result of legislation must clear through the State Library, and cannot be determined until machinery is set up within the State Library administration.

Local libraries in Pennsylvania requesting help, or groups planning to organize libraries, should be referred to Mr. Greenaway and the Library Development Committee. The president expressed the gratitude of the Board for the very fine work of this committee.

The next meeting of the Executive Board will be held on Monday, April 8, at 10:30 a.m. in the annex of the Harrisburg Public Library.

Annual Membership Meeting, October 5, 1956.

Rena Carlson resigned as PLA Council Representative to ALA and Ralph W. McComb became her successor.

Membership as of October 1, 1956 totaled 1,171 of which 161 were trustees.

The question of classification of librarians of state teachers colleges was raised. The question effects their status and salary scale. After discussion it was voted that the College and Reference Section of PLA consider the matter and report to the membership at its next meeting.

The Nominating Committee Report was presented and by unanimous vote the following officers were elected: Harold W. Hayden, vice-president and president-elect; Marie A. Davis, secretary; Mrs. John C. Daub, treasurer.

Grace Estes Retires

(The following is taken from notices which appeared in the *Wilkes-Barre Record*):

Trustees of Osterhout Free Library announce the retirement on April 1 of the chief librarian, Miss Grace W. Estes. Miss Estes has occupied that position since September 1, 1940.

At the same time the board announces Mis Estes will be succeeded by Miss Elizabeth Hesser, currently supervisor of branches in the Public Library of Indianapolis.

In commenting on these forthcoming staff changes, Paul Bedford, president of the Osterhout Library, said:

"It is with the greatest regret that our board has to announce that Miss Estes has decided to retire. She has been with us for more than 16 years, during which time the Osterhout Library has progressed to a degree which has brought continuing satisfaction to all of us. We are all proud of its development under her direction. I think it should also be added that not only has she brought distinction to her profession, but has also been a fine citizen of the community.

"We consider ourselves to have been most fortunate in obtaining the services of Miss Hesser, as our new librarian. We feel confident that our library will continue to progress with her at the helm. Those of us who were fortunate enough to meet her have been most impressed with her record, her ideas and her very pleasing personality."

During Miss Estes' many years as chief librarian, rarely a year has passed without witnessing some innovation which has kept Osterhout abreast of the best procedures in modern library development to the fullest extent of the resources available to her.

Outstanding among these have been the complete rearrangement of the entire collection which led in turn to a considerable extension of books readily accessible to the public on open stacks with new lighting and enlarged reading room. The addition of the new auditorium in 1954 has opened up new facilities for adult education programs of the library and the community.

Special services inaugurated during her regime have included complete issues of the *New York Times* on microfilm, audio-visual information services and record and film lending, new business and financial reference services, and foreign language records.

Also a lending library of phonograph records was made available to the community, and this has been added to constantly. In connection with this, a series of recorded concerts were held each Monday noon for several seasons.

Radio and TV programs were developed under Miss Estes' administration. One of these, Strange Lands and Friendly People, was made possible by a grant from the Fund for Adult Education. The Osterhout was one of 20 libraries to have its TV project accepted for such a grant.

Mis Estes has been active in the work of the American Library Association and is a past president of the Pennsylvania Library Association. Locally, she has been a board member of the YWCA, Wyoming Valley Women's Club, Wyoming Valley Brotherhood Round Table, Dutch Treat Club, and the Wyoming Valley Endorsement Board.

After April 15 Miss Estes will make her home with her sisters in Janesville, Wis.

Miss Elizabeth Hesser is a graduate of Mary Baldwin College and of

Columbia University School of Library Service. Prior to her connection with the Indianapolis Public Library, she has served in various important positions with the Enoch Pratt Free Library, in Baltimore, the Queensborough Public Library, in Jamaica, New York, and she was for several years librarian of the Lockport, New York, Public Library.

Miss Hesser has held many appointive positions with the Indiana Library Association and has been active in civic projects. Miss Hesser will assume her new position with Osterhout on April 1.

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PLA Scholarship

Carnegie Library School has the privilege of awarding the Pennsylvania Library Association Scholarship for the year 1957-1958. In awarding the scholarship preference will be given to a person presently employed in a Pennsylvania library who is a college graduate with an approximate average of B for the last two years of the college course. Applications must be in by June 1.

Wilson Scholarships Announced

A nation-wide effort to interest more young men and women to become librarians was given a substantial boost at the Midwinter Meeting of the American Library Association in Chicago by a gift of more than $17,500 to library schools for scholarships.

The scholarships are the gift of The H. W. Wilson Company, publishers of outstanding library indexes and reference services. Each of the library schools accredited by the American Library Association will receive $500. There are presently 35 accredited library schools; ten will receive their scholarship funds immediately for use in 1957, ten in 1958, ten in 1959 and the other five—plus any other schools which become accredited before that time—in 1960.

Selection of the schools was determined by lot at the Membership Meeting of the conference. Carnegie Library School, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh is scheduled to receive a scholarship in 1958, and the Graduate School of Library Science, Drexel Institute of Technology, Philadelphia, in 1960.

Frederic G. Melcher Scholarship Fund

Just a reminder that contributions are still needed for the Melcher Scholarship Fund. Facsimile of the Newbery and Caldecott medals are still available from Mildred Batchelder, American Library Association, 50 E. Huron Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. A packet of 25 Newbery medals is $1.00. A packet of 25 Caldecott medals is $1.00. Be sure to designate which medal facsimile you wish when ordering.

Allentown Revises Retirement Plan

Because the Board of Directors of the Allentown Free Library feel that a policy of gradual retirement aids in the mental and physical adjustment of the individual to this new pattern of life, the retirement policy of the library was changed on November 26, 1956, to the following:

Library Staff — mandatory retirement at age 65 except that for one year following retirement the staff member may be hired on an hourly or weekly basis up to the legal limit of earnings while receiving full benefits from Social Security and that the second year after retirement the staff member may be hired on an hourly or weekly basis up to one-half the legal limit of earnings while receiving full benefits from Social Security.

The previous retirement policy required complete retirement at age 65.

Mrs. May V. K. Valencik, Librarian, also reports that the Allentown Free Library is a participating member of The American Library Association Retirement plan, matching with four-fifths any amount the staff member decides to contribute to this plan.

Recruiting Program

A poster and pamphlet on recruiting are in preparation. The poster has been designed by Donald Cooke, Pennsylvania author, artist and trade editor of the J. C. Winston Company. Mis Frances Peters of the Free Library of Philadelphia is revising the text of our PLA recruiting program "Careers in Libraries—the World is Your Horizon." Information on the cost of the poster and pamphlet, in quantity, will be made available as soon as possible. Personal contact is still the *best recruiting device,* so please, everyone, talk up library work as a career where ever you go.

Mrs. Carolyn W. Field,
Chairman
PLA Recruiting Committe

Treasurer's Report — 1956

BALANCE January 1, 1956		$ 4,973.43
RECEIPTS		
Membership Dues	$2,822.50	
Miscellaneous	97.08	
Subscriptions	55.00	
Bulletin Advertising	644.50	
Exhibits	2,232.00	
Trustees' Dues	13.00	
Certification	1.00	
Conference Meals	3,688.00	
Conference Registrations	743.00	
Total Receipts	$10,296.08	10,296.08
TOTAL		$ 15,269.51
DISBURSEMENTS		
Telephone	$ 36.60	
Postage, Printing, etc.	487.72	
Bulletin	578.57	
Executive Board	424.58	
President's Expenses	213.45	
A.L.A.	125.00	
Scholarship	500.00	
Treasurer's Expenses	250.00	
Library Development Committee	768.51	
Federal Relations	8.00	
Friends of Library	27.69	
Membership Committee	26.44	
County Section	75.00	
Public Library Section	75.00	
Children's, School and Young People's Section	52.84	
Trustees' Section	30.55	
Trustees' Dues	13.00	
Miscellaneous	297.09	
Directory	585.30	
Conference	4,611.71	
Conference—1957	23.80	
Total Disbursements	$9,210.85	9,210.85
BALANCE January 1, 1957	(x)	$ 6,058.66
(x) Includes balance in Certification Account	$ 263.15	
Treasury Bond	$ 720.00	
Savings Account	2,060.45	
		$ 2,780.45
TOTAL		$ 8,839.11

The Auditing Committee of the Pennsylvania Library Association has examined the Treasurer's books and found them to be in agreement with the report from the Mt. Lebanon Branch of the Commonwealth Trust Company of Pittsburgh.

LORENA A. GARLOCH, *Chairman*

PENNSYLVANIA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Proposed Budget for 1957

Balance November 8, 1956		$ 6,798.12
RECEIPTS		
Membership Dues	$2,550.00	
Bulletin Subscriptions	45.00	
Bulletin Advertising	400.00	
Conference Income		
Rent	1,500.00	
Registrations	500.00	
Total	$4,995.00	4,995.00
		$11,793.12
DISBURSEMENTS		
Recruiting Committee	$ 100.00	
Telephone	50.00	
Postage, Printing, Supplies	450.00	
Bulletin	1,200.00	
President's Expenses	350.00	
Executive Board	700.00	
Dues—A.L.A. Adult Education	35.00	
Scholarship Fund	500.00	
Treasurer's Expenses	250.00	
Friends Committee	50.00	
Membership Committee	50.00	
Scholarship Committee	25.00	
Audio-Visual Committee	50.00	
P.L.A. History Committee	25.00	
County Section	75.00	
College and Reference Section	50.00	
Public Library Section	75.00	
Children, Y. People and School Section	75.00	
Trustees' Section	50.00	
Lawyer	20.00	
Treasurer's Bond	25.00	
Safety Deposit Box	5.50	
Miscellaneous	75.00	
Conference Site Committee	30.00	
1957 Conference	1,000.00	
Total	$4,965.50	$ 4,965.50
BALANCE		$ 6,827.62
From Balance		
Library Development Committee	$2,000.00	
A.L.A. Washington Office	100.00	
2nd Scholarship	500.00	
1958 Regional Conference	2,000.00	
Total	$4,600.00	4,600.00
BALANCE		$ 2,227.62
Certification Account		263.15
P.L.A. BALANCE		$ 1,964.47

Pittsburgh Public Schools

DIVISION OF SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES

The Division of School Library Services of the Pitsburgh Public Schools has recently printed three lists in a *Reading for Background* series. They are planned as a challenge to the superior reader in elementary, junior and senior high schools.

The second of the series is reprinted below. The first list appeared in the Spring 1956 issue. Agnes Krarup, Director of School Libraries in Pittsburgh, says that any library desiring to have it duplicated for use with children is free to do so.

Please include an acknowledgment that the list was compiled by the Section on School Library Services of the Pittsburgh Public Schools.

Reading for Background

OLD FAVORITES

Little Women ..... *Alcott*
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland.. *Carroll*
Through the Looking Glass..... *Carroll*
Don Quixote ..... *Cervantes*
David Copperfield ..... *Dickens*
Wind in the Willows..... *Grahame*
Peterkin Papers ..... *Hale*
Captains Courageous ..... *Kipling*
Call of the Wild ..... *London*
Heidi ..... *Spyri*
Kidnapped ..... *Stevenson*
Gulliver's Travels ..... *Swift*
Penrod ..... *Tarkington*
Adventures of Tom Sawyer..... *Twain*
Swiss Family Robinson..... *Wyss*

HEROES OF LONG AGO

Story of Roland ..... *Baldwin*
Stories of the Gods and Heroes..... *Benson*
Odyssey for Boys and Girls..... *Church*
Iliad of Homer..... *Church*
Legends of the North..... *Coolidge*
By His Own Might..... *Hosford*
Sons of the Volsungs..... *Hosford*
Book of King Arthur and His Noble Knights ..... *McLeod*
Merry Adventures of Robin Hood..... *Pyle*
Tale of the Warrior Lord..... *Sherwood*
White Stag ..... *Seredy*

NEWER FAVORITES

Swiftwater ..... *Annixter*
Tree of Freedom ..... *Caudill*
Blackadder ..... *Cross*
Other Side of Green Hills..... *Cross*
Johnny Tremain..... *Forbes*
Adam of the Road..... *Gray*
Rolling Wheels ..... *Grey*
Dark Frigate ..... *Hawes*
Trumpeter of Krakow..... *Kelly*
Lassie Come-Home ..... *Knight*
Let the Hurricane Roar..... *Lane*
Indian Captive ..... *Lenski*
Big Tiger and Christian..... *Muhlenweg*
My Friend Flicka ..... *O'Hara*
Daughter of the Mountains..... *Rankin*
Bright Island ..... *Robinson*
Good Master ..... *Seredy*
Patterns on the Wall..... *Yates*

THOSE WHO DID

Fighting Frontiersman ..... *Bakeless*
Abraham Lincoln ..... *Daugherty*
Lone Journey ..... *Eaton*
Narcissa Whitman ..... *Eaton*
Dr. George Washington Carver.... *Graham*
Nansen ..... *Hall*
Give Me Liberty ..... *Hawthorne*
Story of My Life..... *Keller*
Thomas Jefferson ..... *Lisitzky*
Yours With Love, Kate..... *Mason*
Invincible Louisa ..... *Meigs*
Story of Clara Barton of the Red Cross ..... *Nolan*
River Boy ..... *Proudfit*
Davy Crockett ..... *Rourke*
Up from Slavery ..... *Washington*
Raymond L. Ditmars..... *Wood*
Lonely Crusader ..... *Woodham*
Amos Fortune, Free Man..... *Yates*

EXPLORING OUR UNIVERSE

America Before Man..... *Baity*
When the Stars Come Out..... *Baker*
Story of Our Calendar..... *Brindze*
This Is the Moon..... *Cothren*
Strange Animals I Have Known.... *Ditmars*

Miss Stevens, State Library Honored

At the annual banquet, Pittsburgh, the Association presented the following inscribed and decorated citation:

'The PLA awards this citation to Nellie Belle Stevens on the occasion of her completion of fifty years of service with the Pennsylvania State Library, and because of her continuous and outstanding contribution to the work of this organization, particularly as Secretary of the Association, and President of the Trustees Section. Pittsburgh, Penna., October 5, 1956."

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FOLKLORE AND TALL TALES

Andersen's Fairy Tales ..... *Andersen*
Arabian Nights' Entertainments
Tall Tale America ..... *Blair*
Pecos Bill ..... *Bowman*
American Folk and Fairy Tales ..... *Field*
Household Stories ..... *Grimm*
Yankee Doodle's Cousins ..... *Malcolmson*
Heroes, Outlaws and Funny Fellows of American Popular Tales ..... *Miller*
Singular Adventures of Baron Munchausen ..... *Raspe*
Yankee Thunder ..... *Shapiro*

SINGING WORDS

Bridled With Rainbows ..... *Brewton*
Come in, and Other Poems ..... *Frost*
Rainbow Gold ..... *Teasdale*
Silver Pennies ..... *Thompson*
This Singing World ..... *Untermeyer*
Stars to Steer By ..... *Untermeyer*
Peacock Pie ..... *De La Mare*
Kings and Queens ..... *Benet*
Gaily We Parade ..... *Brewton*

OTHER PLACES; OTHER TIMES

Pony Express ..... *Chapman*
Two Years Before the Mast ..... *Dana*
Lost in the Jungle ..... *Du Chaillu*
They Put Out to Sea ..... *Duvoisin*
George Washington's World ..... *Foster*
Gift of the River ..... *Meadowcroft*
Within the Circle ..... *Stefansson*
In Norway ..... *Thorne-Thomsen*
Story of Mankind ..... *Van Loon*

Resolutions

RESOLUTIONS

In her thirty-third year of exemplary and faithful service to the Bethlehem Public Library, Miss Harriet T. Root has retired and carries with her the affectionate good will of the PLA.

After service elsewhere in the state, Miss Root went to Bethlehem in 1923 as the first trained librarian. She shortly was responsible for the gift of a new building and a campaign which resulted in tax support for the library. Along with administering a constantly growing library, she has participated importantly in civic affairs and has been elected to posts of leadership and honor in her community.

Be it therefore resolved that a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Association as a tribute to her contributions to librarianship in Pennsylvania.

After 31 years of faithful service in the Priestly Library in Northumberland, Miss Jessie Wilson has retired and carries with her the sincere good wishes of the Pennsylvania Library Association.

Miss Wilson began her library career in the Scranton Public Library in 1911. She organized libraries in Berwick and Rochester, Penna., and remained in each place several years as librarian. She served as children's librarian in Pottsville, and throughout the years has been a loyal and active member of the PLA.

Be it therefore resolved that a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Association as a tribute to her contribution to librarianship in Pennsylvania.

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After thirty years of loyal service as librarian of Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Miss May Morris has retired with the rank of professor emerita of library science, and carries with her the very good wishes of the Pennsylvania Library Association.

Miss Morris served for ten years on the staff of Bryn Mawr College Library before coming to Dickinson in 1927. During her incumbency the number of book catalogued has been tripled and the library staff has increased five-fold.

She has been cited for "service to the college beyond computation."

Miss Morris has been a loyal member of the Pennsylvania Library Association throughout the years.

Be it therefore resolved that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Association as a tribute to her contribution to librarianship in Pennsylvania.

The Pennsylvania Library Association learned with sincere regret of the death on April 1, 1956, of Miss Esther Lash, 2938 Oley Turnpike, St. Laurence, Penna.

Miss Lash, librarian at Oley High School for 9 years was a valued member of this organization. Her associates, in parting with her desire to record their appreciation of her many good and worthy qualities and their deep sorrow at the loss they have sustained.

Her fellow Librarians sincerely mourn her passing and tender their deepest sympathy to her family and resolve that a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Association as permanent tribute to her memory.

After thirty-five years of faithful service as librarian of Lebanon Valley College, Miss Helen Ethel Myers has retired and carries with her the sincere good wishes of the Pennsylvania Library Association.

Miss Myers began her career at Lebanon Valley College in 1921, retiring at the close of the 1955-56 college year. Through the years she has been a loyal member of the Pennsylvania Library Association and has served it in various capacities.

Be it therefore resolved that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Association as a tribute to her contribution to librarianship in Pennsylvania.

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District Organization Meetings

Where Spring Meeting dates have been established they are given below.

Four County: Chairman, Mrs. Phyllis Charles-Court, Ellwood City Public Library, Ellwood City.

Juniata-Conemaugh: Chairman, Mrs. Carola L. Stuckenrath, Mifflin County Library Association, Lewistown (May 11).

Lehigh Valley: Chairman, Dr. Josephine E. Raeppel, Albright College, Reading (Albright College, Reading, May 3.)

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The **County Library Section** will hold a two-day workshop at the Mifflin County Library in Lewistown on April 26-27. The program has not been completed. It is hoped that something will soon be known about the appointment of a State Librarian, or an extension librarian. The section would plan to invite either or both as speakers.

News Notes

The **Barnesboro Public Library,** formerly located in the VFW Home, recently moved into larger quarters. The move was necessitated by a doubling of the book collection in a six-month period. The library, financed by contributions from civic organizaitons and by fund-raising projects conducted by the Friends of the Libary, is administered by nine volunteers who serve as librarians.

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St. Francis College Library, Loretto, held its first annual workshop last June 5-7. The theme was "General Library Proceedings" and public, school, and teacher-librarians from the area met for instruction, panel discussions and informal group meetings on the various problems in the library field.

The following served as consultants: Howard F. McGinn, head, Library Science Department, Duquesne University; Mary C. Keefe, librarian, Stowe Township High School, McKees Rock; and Mary Jane Beck, librarian, Montour Joint School, Moon Run. Margaret M. Tobin, assistant librarian at St. Francis, was program director and the Reverend Vincent R. Negherbon, librarian, was the director.

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Recent professional changes in the Fackenthal Library, **Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster,** include the following: Anna L. Brackbill, head cataloger, retired after 24 years of service. Elizabeth C. Kieffer, reference librarian, resigned after 28 years of service to become librarian of the Lancaster County Historical Society. Mrs. Dorothy R. Neprash was appointed reference librarian to succeed Miss Kieffer. Mrs. Helen R. Bush, a part-time cataloger, was recently appointed on a full-time basis in the catalog department. James B. Walton, assistant librarian, resigned to become associate librarian of George Washington University, Washington, D. C. He was replaced by George W. Bordner.

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Of **Carnegie Institute of Technology** Library School's graduating Class of 1956, the following people have taken positions in Pennsylvania:

Miss Ruth Crowley is Assistant Librarian at the South Hills High School.

Mrs. Lillian Insel is a Cataloger in the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Dorothy Kweller has accepted a position as Fine Arts Librarian at Carnegie Institute of Technology.

Miss Ann Lantz has come to Pittsburgh as an Assistant Librarian at Carnegie Library.

Mrs. Paula Schall is now classified as Librarian V at Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh.

Miss Nora Elizabeth Taylor will be Children's Librarian on the new County Bookmobile operated by Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh.

Miss Naomi Thomas has entered the Schools Department of Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh as Assistant Librarian.

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